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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the criminal offenses of enticing a minor,
- 2 prostitution, sexual exploitation of a minor, and human
- 3 trafficking, and providing for a fee.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 602.8102, subsection 135A, Code 2014, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 135A. Assess the surcharges provided by sections 911.1,
- 4 911.2, 911.2A, 911.3, and 911.4.
- 5 Sec. 2. Section 602.8108, subsection 2, Code 2014, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 2. Except as otherwise provided, the clerk of the district
- 8 court shall report and submit to the state court administrator,
- 9 not later than the fifteenth day of each month, the fines and
- 10 fees received during the preceding calendar month. Except
- 11 as provided in subsections 3, 4, 5, 5A, 7, 8, 9, and 10, the
- 12 state court administrator shall deposit the amounts received
- 13 with the treasurer of state for deposit in the general fund of
- 14 the state. The state court administrator shall report to the
- 15 legislative services agency within thirty days of the beginning
- 16 of each fiscal quarter the amount received during the previous
- 17 quarter in the account established under this section.
- 18 Sec. 3. Section 602.8108, Code 2014, is amended by adding
- 19 the following new subsection:
- 20 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. The clerk of the district court shall
- 21 remit all moneys collected from the assessment of the human
- 22 trafficking victim surcharge provided in section 911.2A to the
- 23 state court administrator no later than the fifteenth day of
- 24 each month for deposit in the human trafficking victim fund
- 25 created in section 915.95.
- Sec. 4. Section 710.10, Code 2014, is amended by adding the
- 27 following new subsection:
- 28 NEW SUBSECTION. 7. For purposes of this section, methods
- 29 of enticement include but are not limited to personal contact
- 30 and communication by any means including through the mail,
- 31 telephone, internet, or any social media, and include text
- 32 messages, instant messages, and electronic mail.
- 33 Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 710A.6 Past sexual behavior of victim.
- 34 Evidence of a specific instance of a victim's past sexual
- 35 behavior, or reputation or opinion evidence of past sexual

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- 1 behavior of a victim, is not admissible unless the evidence is
- 2 admitted in accordance with rule of evidence 5.412.
- 3 Sec. 6. Section 725.1, Code 2014, is amended to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 725.1 Prostitution.
- 6 l. A Except as provided in subsection 3, a person who sells
- 7 or offers for sale the person's services as a partner in a sex
- 8 act commits an aggravated misdemeanor. , or
- 9 2. A person who purchases or offers to purchase such
- 10 a person's services, as a partner in a sex act commits an
- 11 aggravated misdemeanor.
- 12 3. If the person who sells or offers for sale the person's
- 13 services as a partner in a sex act pursuant to subsection 1
- 14 is under the age of eighteen and reasonable grounds exist to
- 15 believe that the influence or control of an adult contributed
- 16 to the commission of the offense, the county attorney may
- 17 elect, in lieu of filing a petition alleging that the person
- 18 has committed a delinquent act, to refer the person to the
- 19 department of human services for the possible filing of
- 20 a petition alleging that the person is a child in need of
- 21 assistance.
- 22 Sec. 7. NEW SECTION. 802.2B Sexual exploitation of a minor.
- 23 An information or indictment for sexual exploitation of
- 24 a minor under section 728.12 committed on or with a person
- 25 who is under the age of eighteen years shall be found within
- 26 ten years after the person upon whom the offense is committed
- 27 attains eighteen years of age, or if the person against whom
- 28 the information or indictment is sought is identified through
- 29 the use of a DNA profile, an information or indictment shall be
- 30 found within three years from the date the person is identified
- 31 by the person's DNA profile, whichever is later.
- 32 Sec. 8. Section 802.3, Code 2014, is amended to read as
- 33 follows:
- 34 802.3 Felony aggravated or serious misdemeanor.
- 35 In all cases, except those enumerated in section 802.1,

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- 1 802.2, 802.2A, 802.2B, or 802.10, an indictment or information
- 2 for a felony or aggravated or serious misdemeanor shall be
- 3 found within three years after its commission.
- 4 Sec. 9. Section 902.9, subsection 2, Code 2014, is amended
- 5 to read as follows:
- 6 2. The surcharges required by sections 911.1, 911.2,
- 7 911.2A, and 911.3 shall be added to a fine imposed on a class
- 8 "C" or class "D" felon, as provided by those sections, and are
- 9 not a part of or subject to the maximums set in this section.
- 10 Sec. 10. Section 903.1, subsection 4, Code 2014, is amended
- 11 to read as follows:
- The surcharges required by sections 911.1, 911.2,
- 13 911.2A, 911.3, and 911.4 shall be added to a fine imposed on a
- 14 misdemeanant as provided in those sections, and are not a part
- 15 of or subject to the maximums set in this section.
- 16 Sec. 11. NEW SECTION. 911.2A Human trafficking victim
- 17 surcharge.
- 18 1. In addition to any other surcharge, the court or clerk
- 19 of the district court shall assess a human trafficking victim
- 20 surcharge of two hundred fifty dollars if an adjudication of
- 21 guilt or a deferred judgment has been entered for a criminal
- 22 violation of section 725.1, subsection 2, or section 710A.2,
- 23 725.2, or 725.3.
- 24 2. In the event of multiple offenses, the surcharge shall be
- 25 imposed for each applicable offense.
- 26 3. The surcharge shall be remitted by the clerk of court as
- 27 provided in section 602.8108, subsection 5A.
- 28 Sec. 12. NEW SECTION. 915.95 Human trafficking victim fund.
- 29 A fund is created as a separate fund in the state treasury.
- 30 Moneys deposited in the fund shall be administered by the
- 31 department and dedicated to and used for awarding moneys to
- 32 programs that provide services and support to victims of human
- 33 trafficking under section 710A.2, including public outreach
- 34 and awareness programs and service provider training programs.
- 35 Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance in the fund on June

1 30 of any fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund of 2 the state.

3 EXPLANATION

- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 6 The bill relates to the criminal offenses of enticing a 7 minor, prostitution, sexual exploitation of a minor, and human
- 8 trafficking, and provides for a fee.
- 9 ENTICING A MINOR. The bill provides that for the criminal
- 10 offense of enticing a minor, methods of enticement include but
- 11 are not limited to personal contact and communication by any
- 12 means including through the mail, telephone, internet, or any
- 13 social media, and include text messages, instant messages, and
- 14 electronic mail.
- 15 HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM PAST SEXUAL BEHAVIOR. The
- 16 bill provides that evidence of a specific instance of a human
- 17 trafficking victim's past sexual behavior, or reputation or
- 18 opinion evidence of past sexual behavior of a human trafficking
- 19 victim, is not admissible unless the evidence is admitted in
- 20 accordance with rule of evidence 5.412 (Iowa's rape shield
- 21 evidence law).
- 22 PROSTITUTION MINOR. The bill provides that if a person
- 23 who sells or offers for sale the person's services as a
- 24 partner in a sex act (prostitution) is under the age of 18
- 25 and reasonable grounds exist to believe that the influence
- 26 or control of an adult contributed to the commission of the
- 27 offense the county attorney may elect, in lieu of filing a
- 28 delinquency petition in juvenile court, to refer the person
- 29 to the department of human services for the possible filing
- 30 of a petition alleging that the person is a child in need of
- 31 assistance.
- 32 SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR STATUTE OF LIMITATION. The
- 33 bill increases the statute of limitation period for the filing
- 34 of an information or indictment for the criminal offense of
- 35 sexual exploitation of a minor from three years to 10 years

- 1 after the person upon whom the offense is committed attains 18
- 2 years of age, or if the person against whom the information or
- 3 indictment is sought is identified through the use of a DNA
- 4 profile, an information or indictment shall be filed within
- 5 three years from the date the person is identified by the
- 6 person's DNA profile, whichever is later.
- 7 HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURCHARGE. The bill provides for the
- 8 assessment of a \$250 human trafficking victim surcharge if an
- 9 adjudication of guilt or a deferred judgment has been entered
- 10 for a criminal violation of Code sections 725.1, subsection
- 11 2 (prostitution by a purchaser of sexual services) or 710A.2
- 12 (human trafficking), 725.2 (pimping), and 725.3 (pandering).
- 13 The surcharge shall be deposited into the human trafficking
- 14 victim fund created in the bill.
- 15 HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM FUND. The bill creates a human
- 16 trafficking victim fund to be administered by the department of
- 17 justice to be used for awarding moneys to programs that provide
- 18 services and support to human trafficking victims, including
- 19 public outreach and awareness programs and service provider
- 20 training programs. Notwithstanding Code section 8.33, any
- 21 balance in the fund on June 30 of any fiscal year shall not
- 22 revert to the general fund of the state.